What is claimed is:

- 1. A method for backing up applications of a portable
- 2 cellular phone comprising:
- 3 a step of storing application information to be used in said
- 4 portable cellular phone and identification information used to
- 5 identify said portable cellular phone in a backup device;
- 6 a step of transferring, when said application information
- 7 is backed up, said application information with said
- 8 identification information being added from said backup device
- 9 to said portable cellular phone;
- 10 a step of said portable cellular phone comparing the
- 11 transferred identification information with identification
- 12 information of said portable cellular phone; and
- a step of copying said application information only when
- 14 both of said identification information match each other.
- 1 2. The method for backing up the applications of the
- 2 portable cellular phone according to Claim 1, wherein said
- 3 identification information is a manufacture serial number and/or
- 4 a telephone number of said portable cellular phone.
- 1 3. The method for backing up the applications of the
- 2 portable cellular phone according to Claim 1, wherein said
- 3 portable cellular phone performs processing of verifying whether
- 4 or not said applications transferred from said backup device run
- 5 normally and does not copy said transferred application if said
- 6 application does not run properly.

- 1 4. The method for backing up the applications of the
- 2 portable cellular phone according to Claim 1, wherein said
- 3 portable cellular phone stores said application information
- 4 having undergone the verification processing in said portable
- 5 cellular phone in an executable format.
- 1 5. The method for backing up the applications of the
- 2 portable cellular phone according to Claim 3, wherein said
- 3 portable cellular phone stores said application information
- 4 having undergone the verification processing in said portable
- 5 cellular phone in an executable format.
- 1 6. The method for backing up the applications of the
- 2 portable cellular phone according to Claim 1, wherein said
- 3 portable cellular phone terminates processing when said
- 4 identification information transferred from said backup device
- 5 does not match the identification information of said portable
- 6 cellular phone.
- The method for backing up the applications of the
- 2 portable cellular phone according to Claim 1, wherein said
- 3 portable cellular phone, when said portable cellular phone uses
- 4 said application information being stored in said backup device
- 5 at a time of changing a type of said portable cellular phone,
- 6 compares said identification information transferred from said
- 7 backup device with said identification information of said
- 8 portable cellular phone and copies said transferred application
- 9 information only when both of said identification information
- 10 match each other.

- 1 8. The method for backing up the applications of the
- 2 portable cellular phone according to Claim 1, wherein, when data
- 3 is transmitted and/or received between said portable cellular
- 4 phone and said backup device, information indicating a mode is
- 5 added to said data.
- 1 9. The method for backing up applications of the
- 2 portable cellular phone according to Claim 1, wherein said
- 3 application is a Java application.